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**TO: Chairman, United States Intelligence Board**

**SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation for Outstanding Work  
of Col. Earl McFarland, Jr., USAF**

1. Attached is a proposed letter for your signature to General Breitweiser recording the appreciation of the Intelligence Community for the outstanding work of Col. Earl McFarland, Jr. as the chairman of the Guided Missiles and Astronautics Intelligence Committee (GMAIC) from 1 October 1957 to 3 July 1962.

2. Colonel McFarland gained a well-deserved reputation for the fair-minded representation of the Committee's views even though those views often diverged from those of his parent Service.

3. It is suggested that you sign the enclosed letter to General Breitweiser and that the Air Force file a copy in Colonel McFarland's personnel folder.

ALBERT D. SNEELON  
Assistant Director

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Major General Robert A. Brettwieser, USAF  
 Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence  
 United States Air Force  
 The Pentagon  
 Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Brettwieser:

As Colonel Earl McFarland, Jr. leaves the Chairmanship of the Guided Missile and Astronautics Intelligence Committee (GMAIC) to take up a new Air Force assignment, I want to record the appreciation of the Intelligence Community for his outstanding contribution in that office.

During his tenure as chairman of the GMAIC from 1 October 1957 to 3 July 1962, Colonel McFarland gained a well-deserved reputation for his ability to reconcile often widely divergent positions within his Committee and for fair-minded representation of the views of the Committee membership. GMAIC's position today as the focal point in the Community for guided missiles and space intelligence is a tribute to the enlightened vision, impartial leadership, devoted interest and sustained efforts of Colonel McFarland in charting and skillfully guiding an effective Community approach in this new and critical area of intelligence.

Sincerely,

(Signed) JOHN A. MCCONE

John A. McCone  
 Chairman

**CONCURRENCES:**

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